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Applicant: **GAMBLE, Ronald C., et al.**

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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION MAILED ON OCTOBER 19, 2005
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**Mail Stop Amendment
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Sir:

This amendment responds to the Office Action mailed on October 19, 2005 in the above-identified application. Since November 19, 2005 was a Saturday, this response is timely filed pursuant to 37 CFR 1.7(a).

PATENT APPLICATION FEE DETERMINATION RECORD Substitute for Form PTO-875						Application or Docket Number 10821567			
CLAIMS AS FILED – PART I (Column 1) (Column 2)									
FOR	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA							
BASIC FEE (37 CFR 1.16(a))									
TOTAL CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(c))	minus 20 = *								
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS (37 CFR 1.16(b))	minus 3 = *								
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM PRESENT (37 CFR 1.16(d))									
* If the difference in column 1 is less than zero, enter "0" in column 2.									
CLAIMS AS AMENDED – PART II (Column 1) (Column 2) (Column 3)									
AMENDMENT A	11/2/05	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA					
	Total (37 CFR 1.16(c))	64	Minus	63	=	1			
	Independent (37 CFR 1.16(b))	4	Minus	4	=	0			
	FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM (37 CFR 1.16(d))								
AMENDMENT B	Total (37 CFR 1.16(c))	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA					
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	Independent (37 CFR 1.16(b))	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA					
	FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM (37 CFR 1.16(d))								
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